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Justice for prosecution in the appropriate District Court to recover the amount of the penalty.

(f) Any amounts approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for disbursement to a foreign person under the programs administered by the Department may be setoff against penalties assessed hereunder against such person, in accordance with the provisions of 7 CFR part 13.

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§ 781.6 Paperwork Reduction Act assigned number.

The information collection requirements contained in these regulations (7 CFR part 781) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB control number 0560-0097.

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Subpart A—General

§ 782.1 Basis and purpose.

The regulations contained in this part are issued pursuant to and in accordance with Section 321(f) of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act. These regulations govern the establishment of the end-use certificate program, the completion of end-use certificates, the identification of commodities requiring end-use certificates, the submission of reports, and the keeping of records and making of reports incident thereto.

§ 782.2 Definitions.

As used in this part and in all instructions, forms, and documents in connection therewith, the words and phrases defined in this section shall have the meanings herein assigned to them unless the context or subject matter requires otherwise. References contained herein to other parts of this chapter or title shall be construed as references to such parts and amendments now in effect or later issued.

Date of entry means the effective time of entry of the merchandise, as defined in 19 CFR part 101.

End Use means the actual manner in which Canadian-produced wheat was used, including, among other uses, milling, brewing, malting, distilling, manufacturing, or export.

End user means the entity that uses Canadian-produced wheat for, among other uses, milling, brewing, malting, distilling, manufacturing, or other use, except resale.

Entity means a legal entity including, but not limited to, an individual, joint stock company, corporation, association, partnership, cooperative, trust, and estate.

Entry means that documentation required by 19 CFR part 142 to be filed

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with the appropriate U.S. Customs officer to secure the release of imported merchandise from U.S. Customs custody, or the act of filing that documentation.

Grain handler means an entity other than the importer, exporter, subsequent buyer, or end user that handles wheat on behalf of an importer, exporter, subsequent buyer, or end user.

Importer means a party qualifying as an Importer of Record pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1484(a).

Metric ton means a unit of measure that equals 2,204.6 pounds.

Subsequent buyer means an entity other than the end user or importer which owns wheat originating in Canada.

Workdays means days that the Federal government normally conducts business, which excludes Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

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§ 782.3 Administration.

The end-use certificate program will be administered under the general supervision and direction of the Administrator, Farm Service Agency (FSA), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the Office of the Deputy Administrator for Commodity Operations (DACO), FSA, Washington, D.C., and the Kansas City Commodity Office (KCCO), FSA, Kansas City, MO, in coordination with the Commissioner of Customs pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding.

§ 782.4 OMB control numbers assigned pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

The information collection requirements in this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and assigned OMB control number 0560-0151.

[61 FR 32643, June 25, 1996]

Subpart B—Implementation of the End-Use Certificate Program

§ 782.10 Identification of commodities subject to end-use certificate regulations.

(a) The regulations in this part are applicable to wheat and barley, respectively, imported into the U.S. from any foreign country, as defined in 19 CFR 134.1, or instrumentality of such foreign country that, as of April 8, 1994, required end-use certificates for imports of U.S.-produced wheat or barley.

(b) Because Canada is the only country with such requirements on wheat, and no country has an end-use certificate requirement for barley, only wheat originating in Canada is affected by the regulations in this part.

§ 782.11 Extent to which commodities are subject to end-use certificate regulations.

(a) In the event that Canada eliminates the requirement for end-use certificates on imports from the U.S., the provisions of the regulations in this part shall be suspended 30 calendar days following the date Canada eliminates its end-use certificate requirement, as determined by the Secretary.

(b) The provisions of the regulations in this part may be suspended if the Secretary, after consulting with domestic producers, determines that the program has directly resulted in the:

(1) Reduction of income to U.S. producers of agricultural commodities, or

(2) Reduction of the competitiveness of U.S. agricultural commodities in world export markets.

§ 782.12 Filing FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat.

(a) Each entity that imports wheat originating in Canada shall, for each entry into the U.S., obtain form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, from Kansas City Commodity Office, Warehouse Contract Division, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, MO 64141-6205, and submit the completed original form FSA-750 to KCCO within 10 workdays following the date of entry or release. Each form FSA-750 shall set forth, among other things, the:

(1) Name, address, and telephone number of the importer,

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- (2) Customs entry number,
- (3) Date of entry,
- (4) Importer number,
- (5) Class of wheat being imported,
- (6) Grade, protein content, moisture content, and dockage level of wheat being imported,
- (7) If imported as a result of a contract for sale, the date of such contract.
- (8) Quantity imported, in net metric tons, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a metric ton, per conveyance,
- (9) Storage location of the wheat,
- (10) Mode of transportation and the name of the transportation company used to import the wheat, and
- (11) A certification that the identity of the Canadian-produced wheat will be preserved until such time as the wheat is either delivered to a subsequent buyer or end-user, or loaded onto a conveyance for direct delivery to an end user.

(b) Importers may provide computer generated form FSA-750, provided such computer generated forms:

- (1) Are approved in advance by KCCO,
 - (2) Contain a KCCO-assigned serial number, and
 - (3) Contain all of the information required in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(9).
- (c) KCCO will accept form FSA-750 submitted through the following methods:
- (1) Mail service, including express mail,
 - (2) Facsimile machine, and
 - (3) Other electronic transmissions, provided such transmissions are approved in advance by KCCO. The importer remains responsible for ensuring that electronically transmitted forms are received in accordance with paragraph (a).

(d) The original form FSA-750 and one copy of form FSA-750 shall be signed and dated by the importer.

(e) Distribution of form FSA-750 will be as follows:

(1) If form FSA-750 is submitted to KCCO in accordance with paragraph (c)(1);

(i) The original shall be forwarded to Kansas City Commodity Office, Warehouse License and Contract Division, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, MO 64141-6205, by the importer,

(ii) One copy shall be retained by the importer.

(2) If form FSA-750 is submitted to KCCO in accordance with paragraphs (c)(2) or (c)(3), the original form FSA-750 that is signed and dated by the importer in accordance with paragraph (d) shall be maintained by the importer,

(3) The importer shall provide a photocopy to the end user or, if the wheat is purchased for purposes of resale, the subsequent buyer(s).

(f) The completion and filing of an end-use certificate does not relieve the importer of other legal requirements, such as those imposed by other U.S. agencies, pertaining to the importation.

[60 FR 5089, Jan. 26, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 32643, June 25, 1996; 64 FR 12885, Mar. 16, 1999]

§ 782.13 Importer responsibilities.

The importer shall:

(a) File form FSA-750 in accordance with § 782.12.

(b) Immediately notify each subsequent buyer, grain handler, or end user that the wheat being purchased or handled originated in Canada and may only be commingled with U.S.-produced wheat by the end user or when loaded onto a conveyance for direct delivery to the end user or a foreign country.

(c) Provide each subsequent buyer or end user with a copy of form FSA-750 that was filed when the Canadian wheat entered the U.S.

(d) Submit to KCCO, within 15 workdays following the date of sale, form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, in accordance with § 782.15.

[60 FR 5089, Jan. 26, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 32643, June 25, 1996]

§ 782.14 Identity preservation.

(a) The importer and all subsequent buyers of the imported wheat shall preserve the identity of the Canadian-produced wheat.

(b) Canadian-produced wheat may only be commingled with U.S.-produced wheat by the end user, or when loaded onto a conveyance for direct delivery to the end user or foreign country.

(c) Failure to meet the requirements in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall constitute noncompliance by the importer or subsequent buyer for the purposes of this part.

§ 782.15 Filing FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report.

(a) For purposes of providing information relating to the consumption and resale of Canadian-produced wheat, form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, shall be filed with KCCO by each:

(1) Importer and subsequent buyer, for each sale to a subsequent buyer or end user, within 15 workdays following the date of sale.

(2) End user and exporter, for full and partial consumption or export, within 15 workdays following:

- (i) March 31,
- (ii) June 30,
- (iii) September 30, and
- (iv) December 31.

(b) Each form FSA-751 shall set forth, among other things, the:

- (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the filer,
- (2) Storage location of the wheat,
- (3) Name and address of the importer,
- (4) Form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, serial number,
- (5) Class of wheat,
- (6) Date the wheat was received at the filer's facility,
- (7) Quantity of wheat received, in net metric tons, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a metric ton,
- (8) Certification to be completed by end users and exporters that requires the end user or exporter to provide, among other things:
 - (i) A certification of compliance with these regulations,
 - (ii) The quantity consumed or exported,
 - (iii) The quantity remaining,
 - (iv) The manner in which the commodity was used,
 - (v) The signature of an authorized representative of the end user or exporter.

(9) Certification to be completed by subsequent buyers and importers that requires the subsequent buyer or importer to provide, among other things:

- (i) A certification of compliance with the regulations in this part,

(ii) The quantity resold,

(iii) The name, address, and telephone number of the buyer, and

(iv) The signature of an authorized representative of the subsequent buyer or importer.

(c) End user and exporter shall submit form FSA-751 to KCCO quarterly until the wheat has been fully utilized or exported in accordance with the regulations in this part.

(d) Importers and subsequent buyers shall, for each individual sale, submit form FSA-751 to KCCO until the imported wheat has been fully resold.

(e) Filers may provide computer generated form FSA-751, provided such computer generated forms:

(1) Are approved in advance by KCCO, and

(2) Contain the information required in paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(9) of this section.

(f) KCCO will accept form FSA-751 submitted through the following methods:

(1) Mail service, including express mail,

(2) Facsimile machine, and

(3) Other electronic transmissions, provided such transmissions are approved in advance by KCCO. The importer, end user, exporter, or subsequent buyer remains responsible for ensuring that electronically transmitted forms are received in accordance with this section.

(g) Distribution of form FSA-751 will be as follows:

(1) If form FSA-751 is submitted to KCCO in accordance with paragraph (f)(1) of this section:

(i) The original shall be forwarded to Kansas City Commodity Office, Warehouse License and Contract Division, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, MO 64141-6205, by the importer, end user, exporter, or subsequent buyer.

(ii) One copy shall be retained by the importer, end user, exporter, or subsequent buyer.

(2) If form FSA-751 is submitted to KCCO in accordance with paragraphs (f)(2) or (f)(3) of this section, the original form FSA-751 shall be maintained by the importer, end user, exporter, or subsequent buyer.

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§ 782.16 Designating end use on form FSA-751.

(a) If the end use specified on the applicable form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, is “export,” the exporter must specify the final destination, by country, on form FSA-751.

(b) If the end user utilizes the wheat for purposes other than milling, brewing, malting, distilling, export, or manufacturing, such use must be specifically designated on form FSA-751.

§ 782.17 Wheat purchased for resale.

(a) This section applies to an importer or subsequent buyer who imports or purchases Canadian-produced wheat for the purpose of reselling the wheat.

(b) The importer or subsequent buyer shall immediately notify each subsequent buyer, grain handler, exporter, or end user that the wheat being purchased or handled originated in Canada and may only be commingled with U.S.-produced wheat by the end user or when loaded onto a conveyance for direct delivery to the end user or a foreign country.

(c) The importer or subsequent buyer shall provide all purchasers of Canadian-produced wheat with a photocopy of the form FSA-750 submitted to KCCO by the importer in accordance with § 782.12(a).

[60 FR 5089, Jan. 26, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 32643, June 25, 1996]

§ 782.18 Wheat purchased for export.

(a) This section applies to an importer or subsequent buyer who imports or purchases Canadian-produced wheat for the purpose of export to a foreign country or instrumentality.

(b) Wheat that is purchased for the purpose of export must be stored identity preserved while the importer or subsequent buyer maintains control of the wheat, except that such wheat may be commingled when loaded onto a conveyance for delivery to the foreign country or instrumentality.

(c) Importers or subsequent buyers that purchase wheat for export to a foreign country or instrumentality must complete form FSA-751 quarterly, in accordance with § 782.15.

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§ 782.19 Penalty for noncompliance.

It shall be a violation of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for any entity to engage in fraud with respect to, or to knowingly violate, the provisions set forth in this part.

Subpart C—Records and Reports

§ 782.20 Importer records and reports.

(a) The importer shall retain a copy of each form:

(1) FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, that is submitted to KCCO in accordance with § 782.12(a); and

(2) FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, that is submitted to KCCO in accordance with § 782.15(a)(1).

(b) The importer shall maintain records to verify that the wheat was identity preserved until such time as the wheat was:

(1) Loaded onto the conveyance for direct delivery to an end user, or

(2) Delivered to an end user, or

(3) Delivered to a subsequent buyer.

(c) Copies of the documents, information, and records required in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall be kept on file at the importer's headquarters office or other location designated by the importer for the period specified in § 782.25.

§ 782.21 End-user and exporter records and reports.

(a) The end user or exporter shall retain a copy of each form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, that is filed with KCCO in accordance with § 782.15(a)(2).

(b) The end user or exporter shall retain a copy of each form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, provided to the end-user or exporter in accordance with § 782.17(b).

(c) The exporter shall maintain records to verify that wheat purchased for the purpose of export was stored identity preserved until such time as the wheat was loaded onto a conveyance for delivery to the foreign country or instrumentality.

(d) Copies of the documents required in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section shall be kept on file at the end-user's or exporter's headquarters office or other location designated by the end

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user or exporter for the period specified in § 782.25.

§ 782.22 Subsequent buyer records and reports.

(a) The subsequent buyer shall retain a copy of each form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, that is filed with KCCO in accordance with § 782.15(a)(1).

(b) The subsequent buyer shall retain a copy of each form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, provided to the subsequent buyer in accordance with § 782.17(b).

(c) The subsequent buyer shall maintain records to verify that the wheat specified on the end-use certificate was identity preserved during the time that the subsequent buyer maintained control of the wheat, or until the wheat was loaded onto a conveyance for direct delivery to an end user.

(d) Copies of the documents and records required in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section shall be kept on file at the subsequent buyer's headquarters office or other location designated by the subsequent buyer for the period specified in § 782.25.

§ 782.23 Failure to file end-use certificates or consumption and resale reports.

Failure by importers, end users, exporters, and subsequent buyers to file form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, and form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, as applicable, and retain or maintain related copies and records shall constitute noncompliance for the purposes of § 782.19.

§ 782.24 Recordkeeping and examination of records.

(a) *Examination.* For the purpose of verifying compliance with the requirements of this part, each importer, end-user, exporter, and subsequent buyer shall make available at one place at all reasonable times for examination by representatives of USDA, all books, papers, records, contracts, scale tickets, settlement sheets, invoices, written price quotations, or other documents related to the importation of the Canadian-produced wheat that is within the control of such entity.

(b) *Orderly retention of records.* To facilitate examination and verification of the records and reports required by this part, copies of form FSA-750, End-Use Certificate for Wheat, and form FSA-751, Wheat Consumption and Resale Report, shall be filed in an orderly manner, and must be made available for inspection by representatives of USDA.

§ 782.25 Length of time records are to be kept.

The records required to be kept under this part shall be retained for 3 years following the filing date of the applicable record. Records shall be kept for such longer period of time as may be requested in writing by USDA representatives.

PART 783—TREE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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§ 783.1 Applicability.

This part governs and provides the requirements and authorities for administration of the Tree Assistance Program (TAP) of the Farm Service Agency. This program shall operate only to the extent funds are appropriated for this program. Payments will be limited to lost eligible trees, bushes or vines, and all claims are subject to the availability of funds.

§ 783.2 Administration.

(a) The program will be administered under the general supervision and direction of the Administrator, Farm Service Agency (FSA), and the Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA. In the field, the regulations in this part will be administered by the FSA State and county committees.